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MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Director-Management, NFAC

FROM : [REDACTED]  
Assistant to the Director, ORPA for Special  
Projects

SUBJECT : Request to Speak Before the International Relations  
Club of Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

1. I request approval to accept an invitation to speak before the International Relations Club of Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania on the subject of "Syria and the Arab-Israeli Dispute: An Historical Approach," on 10 October 1978. The audience would be students and faculty members of the university. I would, as the title of the talk indicates, discuss the historical factors that have shaped Syria's relationship to the problem and review the history of Syria's involvement in it. (See attached outline.) I would not address U.S. policy or initiatives in the area, nor estimate present or future Syrian policy. No classified material would be involved; there are copious sources of information on this subject with which I am familiar.

2. Professor Oles Smolansky, Chairman of the Department of International Relations, participated in the ORPA-sponsored conference on "The Soviets and the Middle East" in October 1977. He is scheduled to participate in a seminar on the same subject being conducted under NIO auspices on 28 September 1978.

3. Approximate cost to the Agency would be \$150.00.

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Attachments:  
Invitation  
Outline of lecture

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5 October 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Officer, OER

SUBJECT : Discussion of CIA Career Opportunities  
with University of Maryland Graduate Students

1. On October 4, 1978 I attended an open meeting of the Department of Agricultural Economics (DARE) Graduate Student Society at the University of Maryland. My attendance at the meeting had been arranged through a member of the DARE faculty and officers of the Graduate Student Society. Students in the Department had been informed through a newsletter that I would discuss CIA career opportunities for agricultural economists.

2. The meeting was attended by about 20 graduate students--more than 70 percent of the full time enrollment. The meeting's principal speaker was the newly appointed Department Head, Dr. Virgil Norton. His candid discussion about internal problems and plans was well received and generated a great deal of response from the students. After Dr. Norton's presentation, the students concluded business on organizational matters before my presentation.

3. The purpose of my presentation was to inform students of the type of work being done in OER, the general working environment in the Agency, and the career opportunities for an agricultural economist. The presentation generated numerous questions ranging from analytical techniques to promotion opportunities and career potential for minorities (women). Each student received a copy of Agency publications on "Career Opportunities--Agricultural Economic Research Positions" and "Notes on the General Working Environment for Economists".

4. After concluding the discussion with the group, I fielded questions from four individuals who expressed a strong interest in learning more about employment opportunities in OER and the Agency. These individuals were encouraged to prepare a resume and contact either myself or the personnel office address listed on the handout sheets. A letter of thanks will be sent to the Graduate Student Society for allowing me the opportunity to meet with the group.

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